

Rotary Club of Corowa



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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Program and Roster:

Royal Hotel
Wed 23rd Feb

Program

Fellowship

Chairman

Wally

Treasurer

Barrie

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Sandie

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Ian B

International Toast – Helsinki International Rotary Club (HIRC)

District 1420

Helsinki International Rotary Club (HIRC) is the only Rotary Club in the Helsinki region using English as its club language. Our purpose is to serve the local and global communities in furthering peace and promoting charitable activities.

We encourage dialogue and do all we can to help those less fortunate than ourselves. However, we make no demands of our members and those that take positions of responsibility do so voluntarily.

We are always ready to welcome new members who share the values and ideals of the Rotary movement. If you are interested in learning more about HIRC, please contact Club President Kaj Färm, or Club Secretary Tayla Härkälä.

Meeting Venue
Mondays 11:30 – 13:00
Helsingin Suomalainen Klubi
Kansakoulukuja 3, 5th Floor
00100 Helsinki

Riddle: Say what?

I speak without a mouth and hear without ears. I have no body, but I come alive with wind. What am I?

Answer:

Riddle: Hidden treasure

I have cities, but no houses. I have mountains, but no trees. I have water, but no fish. What am I?

Answer:

Riddle: The write stuff

I come from a mine and get surrounded by wood always. Everyone uses me. What am I?

Answer:

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Guest Speaker- Mel Robinson



Mel was raised in Beechworth and went to the local convent which has now turned into a B&B. Mel's mother a local nurse who worked in Mayday Hills encouraged her to move away to Melbourne where she did nursing and specialised in mental health and psychotherapy. Mel worked in Melbourne for a few years then married had a baby and with her husband moved around overseas quite a bit with her two children then came back to Australia to live in Sydney with her young family. Mel found that she turned into the typical Brighton & Mosman mother and that's what happens when you're around that style of people you turn into them.

When Mel lived in Sydney she worked in a lot of mental health jobs and with Alan Holt, Tony Abbot and father Chris O'Reilly. While living in Sydney Mel was a part of the Manly Rotary Club and loved being involved in her community.

Some of Mel's most interesting times were while she was working with father Chris O'Reilly they used to go by horse and go pick up the street children take them back clean them up try to get them back into school and give them a better life. Sometimes the only success they had was seeing one of these kids smile.

The kids were an interesting bunch and nearly always you ended up with egg on your face after taking them to a event put on for them and they would nearly always take something that wasn't theirs or somehow end up with goods that where obtained in very dubious means.

The street kids really did test your patience, they taught Mel a lot about not to be judgmental and you needed to take a chance on them. Street kids came from all works of life and they become street kids due to all sorts of different circumstances.

One of the huge fundraisers Mel was involved with was to raise money for the street kids of Manly and Kings Cross, the fundraiser was called "guess who's coming to dinner" there were tables of 10 and generally about 300 people would attend guest speakers would come and talk for free and Normie Rowe sang for nothing. IBM would pay \$100,000 to have a table there and there were plenty of other well-known people that supported this event.

Move back to Corowa to spend time with her mum who had dementia, mum passed away 5 years ago. Mel was heavily involved in working for Kaliana helping people with disabilities and still today although officially retired is working for a Congolese group doing their admin 3 days a week.

At the moment Mel is working on a book about her time spent with father O'Reilly. Mel would like to use her time at Corowa Rotary Club to help fundraise for many important charities.

Rotary Grace:

Oh Lord, the giver of
all good,
We thank you for our
daily food.

May Rotary friends
and Rotary ways,
Help us to serve you
all our days.
Amen

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For Good Food,
For Good Fellowship
And the opportunity
for Serve service in
Rotary,
We Give Thanks.
Amen.

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Today we are
thankful for all
we've received.
However we live, we
firmly believe
All is a blessing that
we must pass on
No matter our status
or where we have
gone. Kindness and
generosity are what
we impart
Showing the world
what's in Rotary's
heart.

Rotary 4 way Test:

1: Is it the **TRUTH**?
2: Is it **FAIR** to all
concerned?

3: Will it build
GOODWILL and

**BETTER
FRIENDSHIPS?**

4: Will it be
BENEFICIAL to all
concerned?

KVE CATERING March 19th 6.30am



Di Kerr, Stacey, Emily, Sally, Dee, Ian K,
Ian B, Graeme C, Alan W, Bill B, Bill P,
David T & Ray @ 10am



Rotarians if you would like to pay for
your Wednesday dinners online please
pay into this account

Name: Rotary Club of Corowa
BSB: 082 559
Acc: 692 592 173
Your ref: Meal & Name

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Website:

<http://www.corowarotary.jimdo.com>

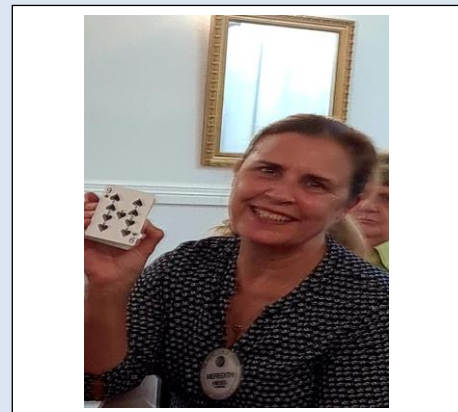
We are also on FACEBOOK!

<https://www.facebook.com>

Raffle Presidents Muscat: Meredith



Cut the cards: Meredith



Please remember to notify **Neil Davis** if
you **CAN NOT** attend our weekly
meetings or if you wish to bring any guests.

Neil can be contacted by:

Phone or text on 0400 481 496
Email: davis98@bigpond.net.au

Deadline for replies is 11am Wed

| Meeting Date | Wed 23 rd Feb | Wed 2 nd March | Wed 9 th March |
|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Venue | Royal Hotel | Royal Hotel | Royal Hotel |
| Program | fellowship | Stacey Price | tba |
| Chairman | Wally | Bill B | Mel |
| Treasurer | Barrie | Wally | Bill B |
| Rotary Grace | Sandie | Barrie | Wally |
| Loyal Toast | Robyn R | Sandie | Barrie |
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Deb's bright side of life

The grocery stores in France look like tornadoes hit them. All that's left is de brie.

I ran out of toilet paper and had to start using old newspapers. Times are rough.

The World Health Organization has announced that dogs cannot contract Covid-19. Dogs previously held in quarantine can now be released. To be clear, WHO let the dogs out.

Back in my day you would cough to cover up a fart. Now, with COVID-19, you fart to cover up a cough.

The Rotary Club Of Corowa meets every WEDNESDAY @ The Royal Hotel: 6.30pm for a 7pm start

President 2021-2022: Rotarian Deb Rowe

Secretary: Rotarian Margaret Brown

Treasurer: Rotarian Paul Miegel

Vice President: Rotarian Norman O'Flaherty

President Elect 2022-2023: Rotarian Stephen Apps

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